

What is claimed is:

1. A shadow mask for a color cathode ray tube, comprising:  
a plurality of strips;  
5 real bridges for connecting said strips adjacent to each other; and  
dummy bridges formed in cantilevered fashion on a side part of said strips,  
wherein a region in which only said dummy bridges are present among said  
dummy bridges and said real bridges is defined as a first region, and a mixed region  
having said dummy bridges and said real bridges is defined as a second region, and  
10 wherein the size of said dummy bridges in said first region is greater than the  
size of said dummy bridges in said second region.

2. The shadow mask according to claim 1, wherein  
the vertical dimension of said first region is greater than 50 percent of the  
15 vertical dimension of said shadow mask.

3. A shadow mask for a color cathode ray tube, comprising  
a plurality of strips; and  
real bridges for connecting said strips adjacent to each other,  
20 wherein a striped mask region devoid of said real bridges is defined as a first  
region, and a region having said real bridges is defined as a second region, and  
wherein a slit opening width in said first region is less than a slit opening width  
in said second region.

25 4. The shadow mask according to claim 3, wherein

the vertical dimension of said first region is greater than 50 percent of the vertical dimension of said shadow mask.

5. A color cathode ray tube comprising:

5 a glass tube body having a faceplate panel; and  
a shadow mask provided inside said faceplate panel,  
said shadow mask including

a plurality of strips,

real bridges for connecting said strips adjacent to each other, and

10 dummy bridges formed in cantilevered fashion on a side part of said strips,

wherein a region in which only said dummy bridges are present among said dummy bridges and said real bridges is defined as a first region, and a mixed region having said dummy bridges and said real bridges is defined as a second region, and

15 wherein the size of said dummy bridges in said first region is greater than the size of said dummy bridges in said second region.

6. A color cathode ray tube comprising:

a glass tube body having a faceplate panel; and  
a shadow mask provided inside said faceplate panel,

20 said shadow mask including

a plurality of strips, and

real bridges for connecting said strips adjacent to each other,

wherein a striped mask region devoid of said real bridges is defined as a first region, and a region having said real bridges is defined as a second region, and

25 wherein a slit opening width in said first region is less than a slit opening width

in said second region.